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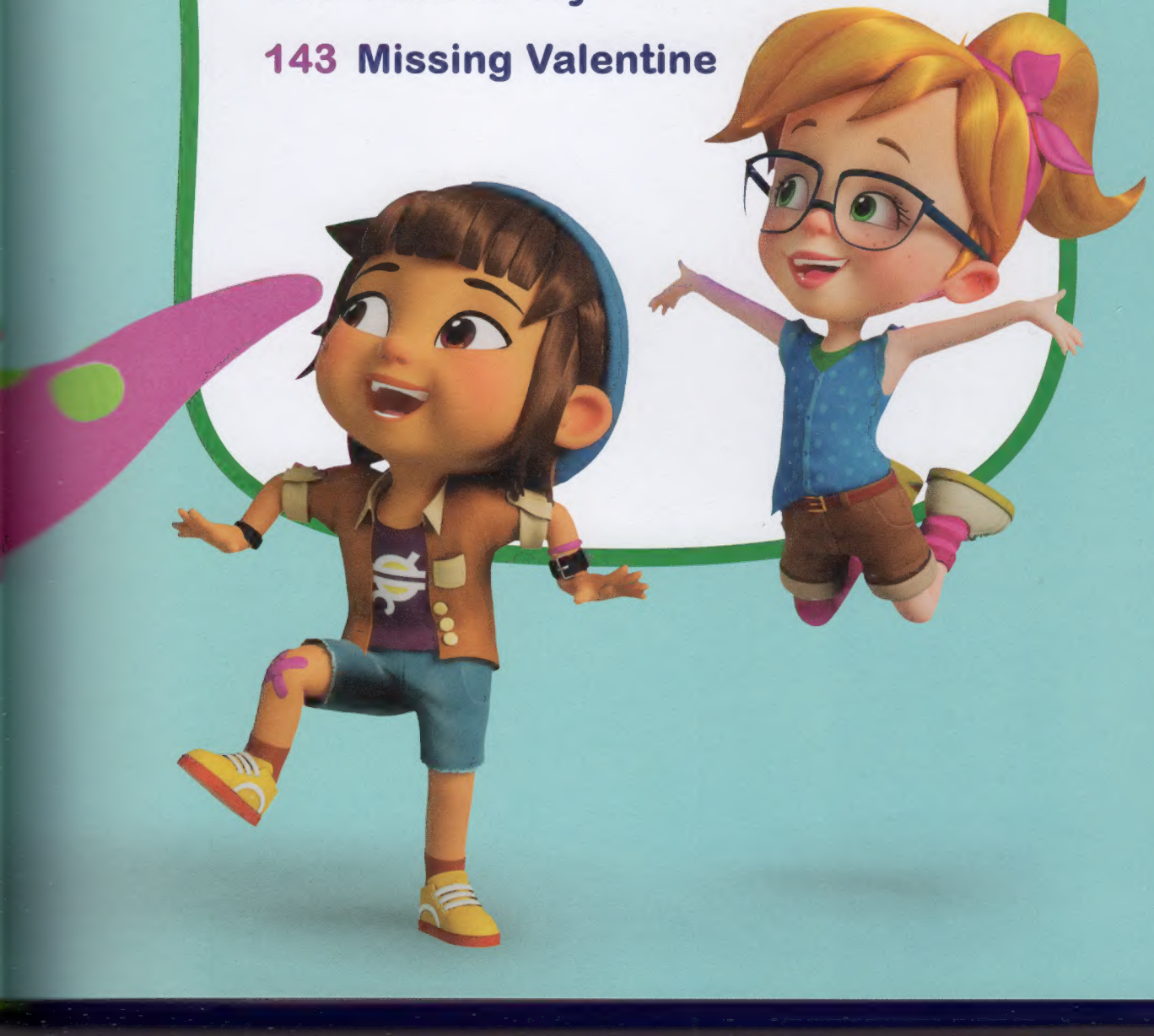


AHOY, MATEYS!

Based on the episode "The Big Spill," written by Roxy Simons
Adapted by Ilanit Oliver

Mel and David were in their favorite park playing one of their favorite games—pirates!

"Ahoy, Captain Mel!" said David, looking out onto the sea. "Thar be ancient treasure yonder."

Mel nodded and looked for their other friend. "Vivie, me friendie, come find treasure with us!"

Vivie was busy working on a painting. "In a minute!" she answered. "I'm almost done."

Just as Vivie finished, a pigeon flew down and landed right on her painting!

"Oh no!" cried Vivie. She had spent so much time getting it right!

David and Mel hurried over to their friend.

"Everything OK, Vivie?" David called out.

"NO!" Vivie replied angrily. "A pigeon keeps messing up my painting!"

Vivie couldn't believe her eyes. Her best painting ever was completely ruined!

"MY PAINTING!"
Vivie cried.

"It's OK, Vivie," David said. "We can fix it!"

Mel grabbed one of Vivie's sponges and tried to clean the orange paint.

Vivie only seemed to get more upset.

Suddenly, Mel got an idea! "You know," she began, "we have a lot of orange here . . . I think we need some purple!"

"Hey, Barney!"

"Ahoy, me hearties!"

Barney appeared on the playground slide, sliding in super slow motion. He was always making his friends giggle with silly moves like that.

"Shall we climb aboard the ship?" Barney asked. Just then he noticed Vivie, still looking quite angry.

"Is Vivie OK?" Barney asked David and Mel.

Mel shook her head. "A pigeon ruined her painting, so she's mad."

"Really, really mad," David added.

Barney went over to Vivie. "I'm sorry about your painting. I'm here if you want to talk . . . or if you need a hug . . . or if you want to dance it out. Whatever you need, I'm your dinosaur!"

"Thanks, Barney," said Vivie. "But I don't feel like talking or dancing right now."

"I'll be here for you if you change your mind," Barney assured her.

Barney's magic transformed the park into a pirate ship on an ocean, but the seas were rough.

"Hold on tight, me friendies," Barney called out. "We've got stormy seas ahead!"

"WHOAAAA! What's happening?" asked David as the ship rocked back and forth.

"And where's Vivie?" Mel added.

Vivie was standing atop a dark storm cloud looking down at the ship. Baby Bop floated beside her.

"I am Vivie, the Sea Queen!" she proclaimed. "And that pigeon MADE ME ANGRY!"

Vivie stretched her arms out. Lightning shot down from her hands to the sea.

"Yes, Sea Queen!" cried Baby Bop. "Let that pigeon know how you feel!"

The salty waters began to churn with even more force. David and Mel slid from one end of the ship to the other, trying to hold on.

"If the Sea Queen keeps gettin' angrier, the storm will be gettin' worse!"

"You worked hard on that painting," Baby Bop said. "I'd be angry too. Let's be angry together!"

The storm picked up again. Thunder boomed across the seas!

"If we help Vivie, we'll be back to smooth sailing in no time!" Barney said hopefully.

"How can we help Vivie calm down?" asked Mel.

David thought for a moment. "Sometimes, when I'm feeling mad, I think of nice things . . . like my mom or my teddy bear, and then I feel calmer. Maybe Vivie can think of nice things too?"

"Great idea, David!" Barney said.

"Vivie!" shouted David. "We want to help you! Try thinking about something that makes you feel calm . . . like playing hide-and-seek with us in the park."

WHOOOSH! A picture of them hiding behind trees in the park appeared overhead. As Vivie looked at the picture, the ocean waves began to calm.

Soon the sun began to shine through the clouds. Barney bounced onto a cloud beside the Sea Queen.

"Are you feeling a little better?" Barney asked Vivie.

"Well, I'm still a bit angry at the pigeon," Vivie said, "but I don't want to be. Barney, this queen needs some help. One minute, I'm having fun. Then, something goes wrong, and BOOM! Big feelings take over like a wild storm!"

"Bad feelings sure can be powerful," Barney agreed. "But so can good feelings and calm feelings. Are you ready to find the calm after the storm, Vivie?"

Vivie nodded her head.

"Let's take some deep breaths," Barney began. "Breathe in and breathe out. Slowly . . ."

The two friends inhaled deeply together, then let all the air out of their lungs.

After a few more deep breaths, the storm around them continued to fade.

"Thanks, Barney," Vivie said.

Barney reached out a hand to help Vivie onto the ship. Just then, the pigeon flew across the sky, carrying Vivie's painting in its beak.

The sea started to churn again.

"That PIGEON!!!" Vivie yelled. Her anger returned.

The Sea Queen sent angry currents through the waters once more. Suddenly, the ship was caught in a whirlpool.

"WHOA!" Barney cried, as the ship swirled around and around.

Vivie looked over at her friends, struggling to keep afloat on the swirling sea. "I can't keep getting so angry," she said, worried. After all, it was her anger that was causing the whirlpool.

"Come on, Vivie," she said to herself. "Find your powerful, calm feelings. Just remember what Barney said and take a deep breath in . . . and a deep breath out.

"Hold on, everyone," Vivie called out to her friends. "I'll get you out of there!"

Vivie tried to focus, took one more deep breath in . . . and exhaled straight into the ship's sails.

"I think I'm ready to get off my cloud now," Vivie called out to her friends.

"Did you hear that?" Barney said to David and Mel. Vivie found her big, happy feeling!

"You did it, Vivie!" Mel called out to her friend.

"You saved us!"

Barney, David, Mel, and Baby Bop all let out big cheers.

Vivie finally stepped onto the ship to join the others.

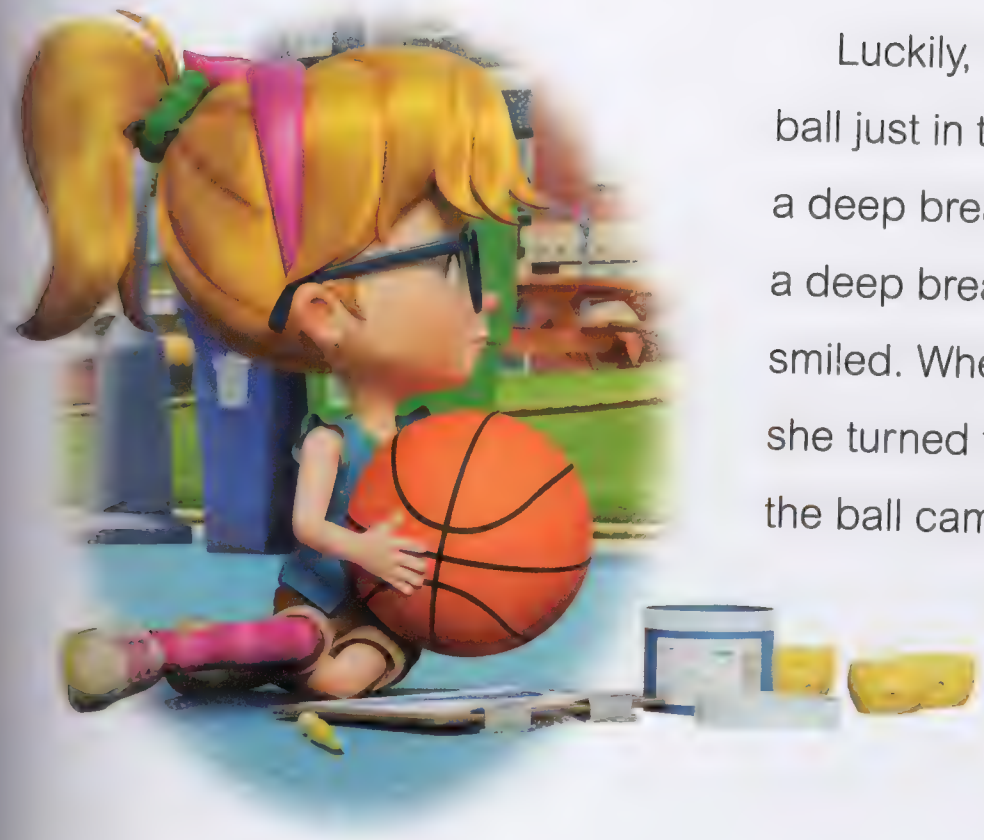
"I think this Sea Queen's ready to go home," she said.

With that, Barney's sparkling purple magic transformed the ocean back into the park.

"You know," Vivie said, "I'm feeling so good, I'd love to paint another picture. Who's with me?"

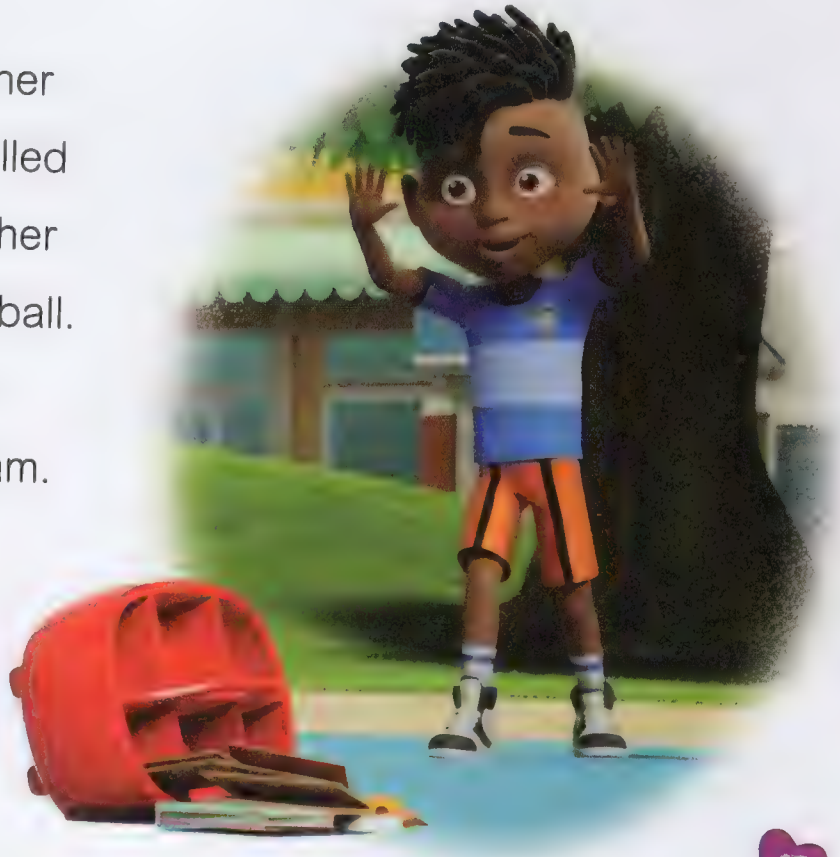
Everyone agreed.

They were just settling in when suddenly, a basketball came bouncing toward them. It was headed straight for Vivie's new painting!



Luckily, she caught the ball just in time. Vivie took a deep breath in . . . and a deep breath out—and smiled. When she felt calm, she turned to see where the ball came from.

David's big brother Liam waved and called out to Vivie, asking her to return the basketball. With a giggle, Vivie tossed it back to Liam.



"On second thought," Vivie said, "let's paint inside this time, where there are no pigeons or basketballs!"

OBSERVE-O-MAN!
Based on the episode "David the Hero," written by Nik Lyiton
Adapted by Ilanit Oliver

It was a beautiful day in the park.

David had his favorite toy: Super Mega Glowing Gary!

Meanwhile, Vivie and Mel were playing a game of whoop-wiggling tag!

Mel whooped and wiggled, then tagged David.

"You're it!" called Mel.

David didn't move. "I'm not a big wiggler or whooper," he said.

"Well," said Mel, "would you rather play a different game with us?"

Vivie jumped with excitement. "I know! We can pretend we are heroes with our own superpowers—just like in your comic book."

Now that was a game David wanted to play! "Can Gary play too?"

"Of course he can!" replied Mel. "And I know someone else who should play . . ."

"Heyyyyyyy, Barney!"

POOF!

A big puff of purple appeared, and out popped Barney. "Hey, friends!"

"Hi, Barney!" shouted the friends.

"Are we playing heroes?" asked Barney. He struck a pose. "I am super at playing superheroes!"

"I've already found my superpower," said Barney. He lifted his tail and wiggled it around. "It's my Purple Power Tail! I can use it to give my buddies a super boost!"

David clapped and said, "That makes your superhero name . . . the Buddy Booster!"

"I'm Super Duper Mel," Mel said. "I have super speed and super strength!"

Mel flexed her muscles and lifted a big rock.

"Wow," said Barney. "That is super-duper!"

Vivie ran over to the arts and crafts cart. She made a shield out of glitter glue.

"And I'm super artist Glitter Glue Girl!" Vivie cried. "My sparkly shield will distract any villain with the power of art!"

Barney smiled. "That's super sparkly, Glitter Glue Girl," he said.

Barney looked over at David, who was sitting quietly.

"What's your super name, David?"

"I don't know," said David. "I don't feel the same kind of super as Mel and Vivie."

"That's OK," Barney told him. "You are super in your own way."

David smiled.

"OK," he said, "I think I know my superpower . . ."

Across the park, David noticed a squirrel hanging from Grady's pretzel cart, trying to sneak a bite.

David called out, "Don't even think about it, squirrel!"

"Wow!" said Barney, amazed. "You're so super at watching and listening . . . that makes you Observe-O-Man!"

"Ready for our adventure, heroes?" Barney asked.

POOF!

Another purple cloud filled the air.

Mel, Vivie, and David were now wearing super costumes!

Mel and Vivie were running fast when a SWOOSH of purple zoomed in front of them. It was David stopping them in their tracks.

"Hold it!" David called out.

David pointed down to the ground right by their feet. "You were about to step on those ants!"

"I can't believe you noticed that!" Vivie said. Mel agreed. "Way to go, Observe-O-Man!" Observe-O-Man noticed something else too.

David was staring at the bench where he had been reading with Gary.

Now the only thing on the bench was his comic book.

"MWAHAHAHA! MWAHAHAHA!" It was Baby Bop! She boomed, "It is I, Sneaky Bop, the sneakiest supervillain on the playground! Your precious Gary is gone. We took him, and we're going to hide him!"

Sneaky Bop and her evil sidekick, Sneaky Billy, disappeared behind the play castle.

The heroes couldn't let Sneaky Bop get away with this.

Mel struck a hero pose. "This is a job for . . . Super Duper Mel!"

"And Glitter Glue Girl!" shouted Vivie.

They both turned and looked at David. Barney smiled and nudged him.

"And . . . um . . ." David said, "Observe-O-Man?"

"AND . . . the Buddy Booster!" Barney added with a wiggle.

The heroes looked all over. Super Duper Mel looked under anything she could lift. Glitter Glue Girl crafted a super-duper glitter shield to disarm the villains.

Still, they couldn't spot the villains or Gary anywhere.

"Maybe Observe-O-Man can help us?" said Barney.

David used his powers to look around the playground. He spotted Billy!

"Look out!" David called to his friends.
"Sneaky Billy is sneaking up behind you!"
Mel and Vivie leapt into action.

Vivie raised her shield as Sneaky Billy pounced. He smacked into the shield and bounced off it, landing on top of the play castle.

"Phew!" Vivie said, relieved. "That was close!"

"Super Duper Mel will get him!" called Mel. "I just need a little boost."

Mel climbed onto Barney's tail. "Ready?" said Barney. "One, two, three . . . Buddy Boost!"

Mel flew through the air and landed right on top of the castle next to Billy.

"You have nowhere to sneak, Sneaky Billy," Mel said. "Now, where is Gary?"

"I'll never tell!" said Billy. "Gary is with someone super sneaky . . . and she's getting away with him right now!"

"MWAHAHAHA! MWAHAHAHA!" a voice called out. "Try to stop me, heroes!"

It was Sneaky Bop, and she was carrying a mystery bag!

This time, it was Glitter Glue Girl to the rescue. Barney Buddy Booster boosted Vivie right into the path of Sneaky Bop!

"Stop right there," Vivie warned. "It's time to GLITTERIZE!"

Vivie held out her Glitter Glue shield and released its power. Sneaky Bop stopped in her tracks. She watched the glitter swirl and swirl . . . and got so dizzy that she fell over!

"If you don't open that bag and give Gary back," Vivie warned, "I'll use my shield again!"

"Foolish heroes," Sneaky Bop said. "You think Gary is in this bag? MWAHAHAHA!"

Sneaky Bop opened her bag and pulled out . . . a cupcake!

Now Observe-O-Man was on the case. He looked all around the park, noting everything that he observed.

"OK, I see Glitter Glue Girl and Super Duper Mel," he said, scanning the area. "I see the Buddy Booster and . . . a glowing tree?"

"Wow!" Barney exclaimed. "I didn't know this park had trees that glow!"

David looked at the tree and then at Barney. "That's because trees don't glow—Gary does!"

"That must be where Sneaky Bop hid Gary!" Vivie cried out.

"Hey, Barney?" David said. "I'm going to need a boost."

With a Buddy Boost from his buddy, David launched across the park. As he spun through the air, he grabbed Gary from the very top of the glowing tree.

"You did it!" Vivie cheered.

"Woo-hoo!" cried Mel.

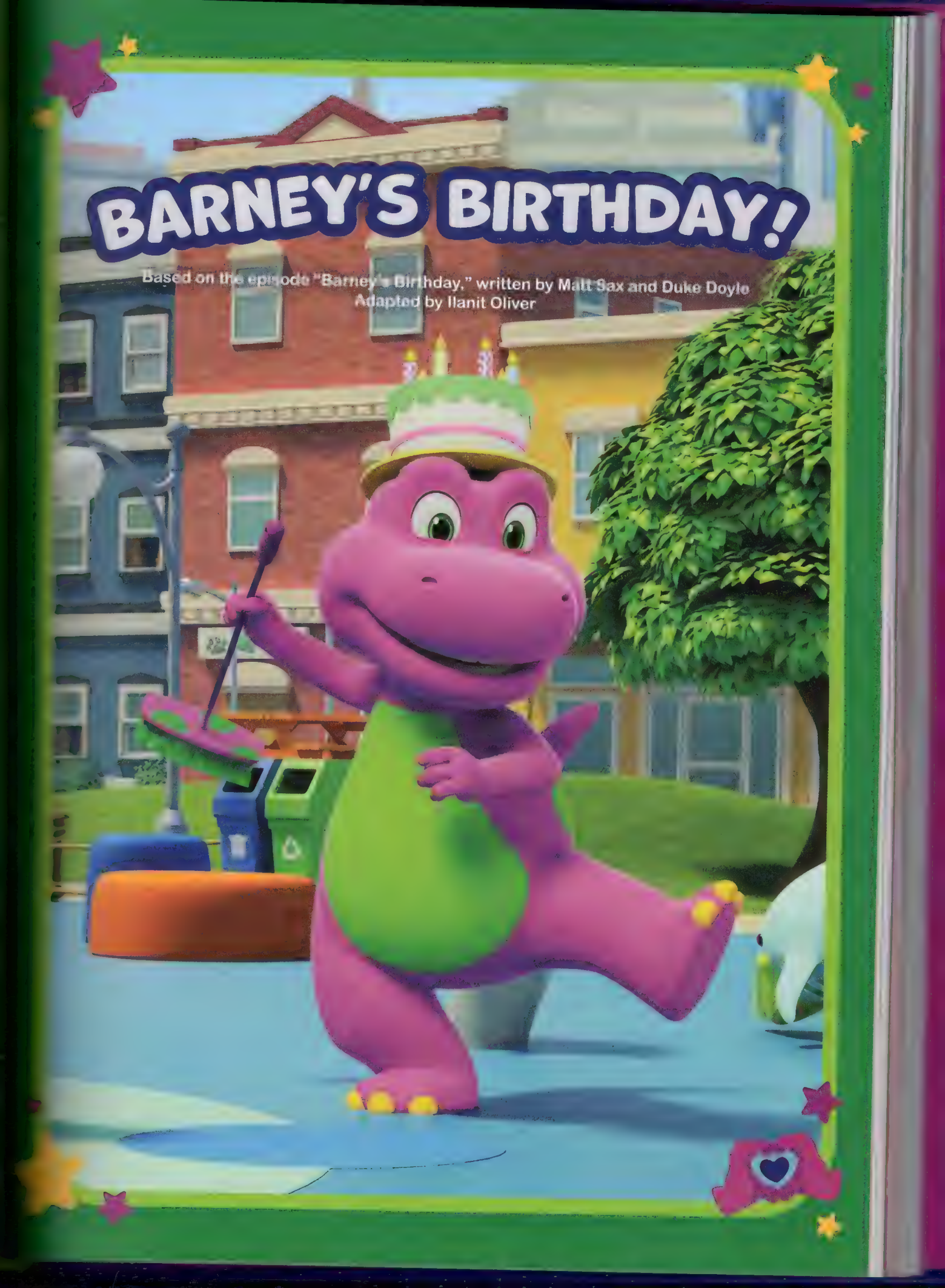
"Way to go, Observe-o-Man," Barney exclaimed.

"That was super fun!" David said. "I loved using my superpower of observation."

"Your powers were so cool," Vivie said.

Mel agreed. "All of our powers were!"

"That's right," Barney said. "Your superpowers were special because you are all super special in your own way."


BARNEY'S BIRTHDAY!
Based on the episode "Barney's Birthday," written by Matt Sax and Duke Doyle
Adapted by Ilanit Oliver

Today is Barney's birthday! Mel, David, and Vivie are getting ready to throw Barney a big party in the park.

"I think birthday parties are my favorite thing ever!" David told Mel.

Mel agreed. "Especially when it's Barney's birthday."

Vivie happily skipped over to join her friends. "I made and delivered all of the invitations. Everyone is coming!"

"Great job, Vivie," said Mel. "Now it's time to invite the most important guest of all . . . "

"Hey, Barneyyyyy!!!"

POOF!

A big puff of purple appeared as Barney glided out from behind the tree.

"Happy birthday to me!" Barney sang. "It's my birthday, you see. I am a whole year older, and I'm ready to paaar-tyyyy!"

David, Mel, and Vivie all cheered, "Happy birthday, Barney!"

"OK, party planners," said Mel. "It's time to get ready! First, we're going to get balloons."

"Next," said David, "we're gonna make a cake!"

"And . . . we're gonna do a super fancy dino dance that I made up myself," Vivie added.

Barney glowed with happiness. "This is so exciting! I can hardly wait!"

As Barney flipped his way through the park, the three friends huddled together.

Mel, Vivie, and David had planned to make a special blanket for Barney from all of his friends. Nonna, Vivie's grandmother, was helping them sew it together.

"Let's go see how Nonna is doing," Vivie suggested.

"Hi, kids!" Nonna greeted them from behind the almost-finished birthday quilt. "Your idea for a quilt of your favorite things to do with Barney is wonderful! I love each of your squares."

But there was one square missing.

Nonna looked over at David. "Now I just need your square and it'll be finished!"

"The quilt needs to be finished by party time," Vivie reminded him.

"I know," he said. "There's just so much that I love to do with Barney, and it's hard to choose just one."

"We know you'll figure it out," Mel said.

Just then, a big, purple, Barney-shaped dinosaur flipped through the air and landed right beside them.

"Is it party time yet?" Barney asked.

"Not yet—we need to get the balloons first," Mel reminded him. "Barney and Vivie, come with me!"

Before she left, Mel whispered into David's ear. "You'll have time to make your square while we plan the party."

SWISH! SWASH! David heard a rustling of leaves.

"Never fear, David!" said Baby Bop. "Billy and I will help you figure out your square. What do you love to do with Barney?"

David thought about it. "I love building things in the sand with Barney, but I don't know if it's my favorite thing."

"Let's go find out!" Billy replied.

David was having fun building his sandcastle.

Baby Bop came and sat alongside him. "So, David, is building in the sand your favorite thing to do with Barney?"

Before David could answer, Billy made his opinion known. "Yes! It's what I drew on my square for Barney!"

David couldn't believe it. He didn't want to draw the same thing as Billy.

A moment later, Barney, Vivie, and Mel came running toward David.

"Update!" Mel announced to everyone. "We have the balloons."

Uh-oh! David thought. *But I need more time.*

"Are you sure you don't need to get more?" he asked. "After all, it's going to be a dino-sized party."

"More balloons!" Barney cheered.

POOF!

Balloons started popping up all around them. Soon there were enough to lift Mel, Vivie, David—and even Barney—off the ground!

"This might be too many balloons," Mel finally said.

"Yeah," Vivie agreed. "Where will we even put the birthday cake?"

"The cake!" Barney cried. "I forgot about the cake!"

When the balloons were all cleaned up, Vivie was left holding two bunches of purple and pink balloons.

"Much better!" Mel said, looking them over and checking balloons off her list.

Then she turned to David. "Did you finish your square?"

"Not yet," David said sheepishly.

"I know you can do it," Mel kindly replied.

Once David was on his own, Baby Bop and Billy again appeared by his side.

"OK," said Baby Bop, "we're back in business. What else do you love to do with Barney?"

David had an idea. "I know—let's go play pirates!"

"Ahoy, mateys!" Baby Bop called out to David and Billy. "To find your square, we must defeat the oogly-googly sea monster!"

Suddenly, David didn't feel so good. "Uh, Captain?" David said. "I just remembered, I don't like sea monsters. This is not my favorite thing to do with Barney."

Just then, Barney and the rest of the party planners joined them by the ship.

Barney was carrying a very big, very purple birthday cake. "Who's hungry, mateys?" he said.

David started to worry again. He was running out of time to make his square!

"That cake looks great," he told Barney. "But, it's a big party . . . shouldn't there be more cake?"

Barney's face lit up. "He's right! We all know cake is a birthday treasure! YARRR!"

POOF!

All of a sudden, the pirate ship began sprouting pink and blue frosting all around it, while the base transformed into a sweet, fluffy, perfectly delicious treat.

"The whole ship is made of cake!" Vivie cried out, delighted.

"Even the wheel!" Mel mumbled through a mouthful.

"This is tasty," Vivie agreed, "but we do have to practice our birthday dance."

Barney used his magic to turn the ship and park back to normal.

"Birthday cake—check!" Mel called out.

"Barney and Mel, it's dancing time!" Vivie announced. She turned to David. "Is your square done yet?"

"Not yet . . ." David replied.

Vivie smiled. "Good luck thinking of something . . . quickly!"

Barney's party was almost starting, and David still didn't have an idea for his square!

David needed somewhere quiet to think, and so off he went. Barney saw David sitting alone and went to sit beside him. "Is everything OK?"

David looked up. "Have you ever had to make a choice, but you couldn't decide?"

"I sure have," Barney replied. "Making choices can be really hard. When I have trouble deciding," Barney said, "I close my eyes, take a deep breath, and wait until my mind is calm. That's when I know what to do."

David closed his eyes and took a deep breath in and out. At once, he knew what he wanted to draw!

A short while later, the guests arrived.

David snuck over to Nonna and handed her his square.

"I hope I made it on time!" he said.

Nonna smiled and thanked him. "I'll go finish the quilt right now!"

Next, David, Vivie, and Mel took to the stage to sing Barney a special birthday song. "Our birthday wish for you is that your wish may come true. Happy birthday to Barney . . . happy birthday to you!"

The three friends cheered for their favorite purple dinosaur as they led him toward the cake.

"Make a wish!" Vivie said.

With one long breath, Barney blew out all his candles.

It was finally time to show Barney his supersecret, special birthday gift.

"We made you a quilt!" David said.

"We all made a square that shows our favorite thing to do with you," Mel added.

Barney looked at all the different squares. "Mel, I love playing soccer together," he said, "and, Vivie, I love singing with you! David, where's your square?"

David pointed to a drawing of him and Barney sitting together under their favorite tree in the park.

"Barney, you're such a good listener and friend," David said. "My favorite thing to do with you is just talk."

Barney glowed. "That's my favorite too!"

TIME TO TRY
Based on the episode "Time to Try," written by Mick Lopez
Adapted by Ilanit Oliver

It was a beautiful day in the park. Mel, David, and Vivie packed extra food in their lunches to trade with each other.

"Gary and I are mega hungry," David said.

"Me too!" Vivie said. "We are just missing one BIG friend . . ."

"Hey, Barney!" POOF!

"Hey, friends! Those are some super-dee-duper lunch boxes!"

It was finally time to share!

"David, I'll trade you four dino crackers and two strawberries for one square of your sandwich," Vivie offered.

"Deal!" David answered.

Next it was Mel's turn. "My mom and I made my favorite: kimchi! It's a Korean specialty."

Vivie looked at the jar of kimchi.

"Thanks, Mel," she said nervously. "Um . . . I think I'll stick to what I brought."

David was also too nervous to try Mel's kimchi. "Smells like it could be a little too spicy for me. But I'll trade you a square of my sandwich for some of your rice?"

Mel sighed, disappointed.

"Barney, can we talk?" she asked.

"Sure, Mel!" Barney replied. "I'm always here for you."

"My mom and I make the best kimchi, but David and Vivie won't even try it," Mel complained.

"That must be frustrating," Barney agreed. "Some people get nervous trying new things. It doesn't mean your kimchi isn't super delicious."

"I guess that makes sense," Mel said. "Thanks, Barney."

Barney and Mel returned to the bench to join the others.

"Boy, it sure is a hot one today!" Barney said. "I wonder how we can all cool off . . . What about a beach day?"

Then there was a big, purple

POOF!

The gang was transported to a beautiful beach by clear blue water. In all the excitement, they nearly missed Baby Bop, who was quietly lounging on a beach chair reading her book.

"Hello?" Baby Bop said loudly. "Some of us over here are trying to read!"

"Sorry about the noise," David said.

"We're having a beach day!" Mel told Baby Bop.

"Me too!" Baby Bop replied. "I'm all set up. I've got my comfy beach chair, an umbrella for shade, and a good book to read. The perfect beach day!"

David said, "But . . . don't you ever go in the water?"

"Sometimes I put my feet in, but I don't like getting wet," Baby Bop replied.

"What about playing in the sand?" Vivie added.

"Sand in my toes is the worst!" Baby Bop said.

With that, Baby Bop settled back into her chair to resume her perfect beach day.

The friends were excited to start their perfect beach day.

The kids started building a sandcastle together. Barney was working on something of his own.

"Hey, Barney," David asked, "what are you building?"

"A sand sand-wich! Get it?" Barney and David laughed.

"Check it out!" Mel announced. "Best sandcastle ever!"

The kids built a larger-than-life sandcastle with a working door. They even decorated it with seashells.

"Wow!" Barney said, impressed. "Nice work!"

The gang went to check on Baby Bop.

"Are you sure you don't want to build something with us?" David asked.

"I know," Vivie said excitedly. "We can make a sand Baby Bop! You can be our model."

"Let's do it!" Barney added.

Baby Bop was hesitant. "OK, I guess," she agreed.

Baby Bop got up and took a few steps.

"Ew, ew, ew!!"

"What's wrong?" David asked.

"Sand in MY TOES!" Baby Bop cried out.

Then she turned around and hurriedly headed back to her chair.

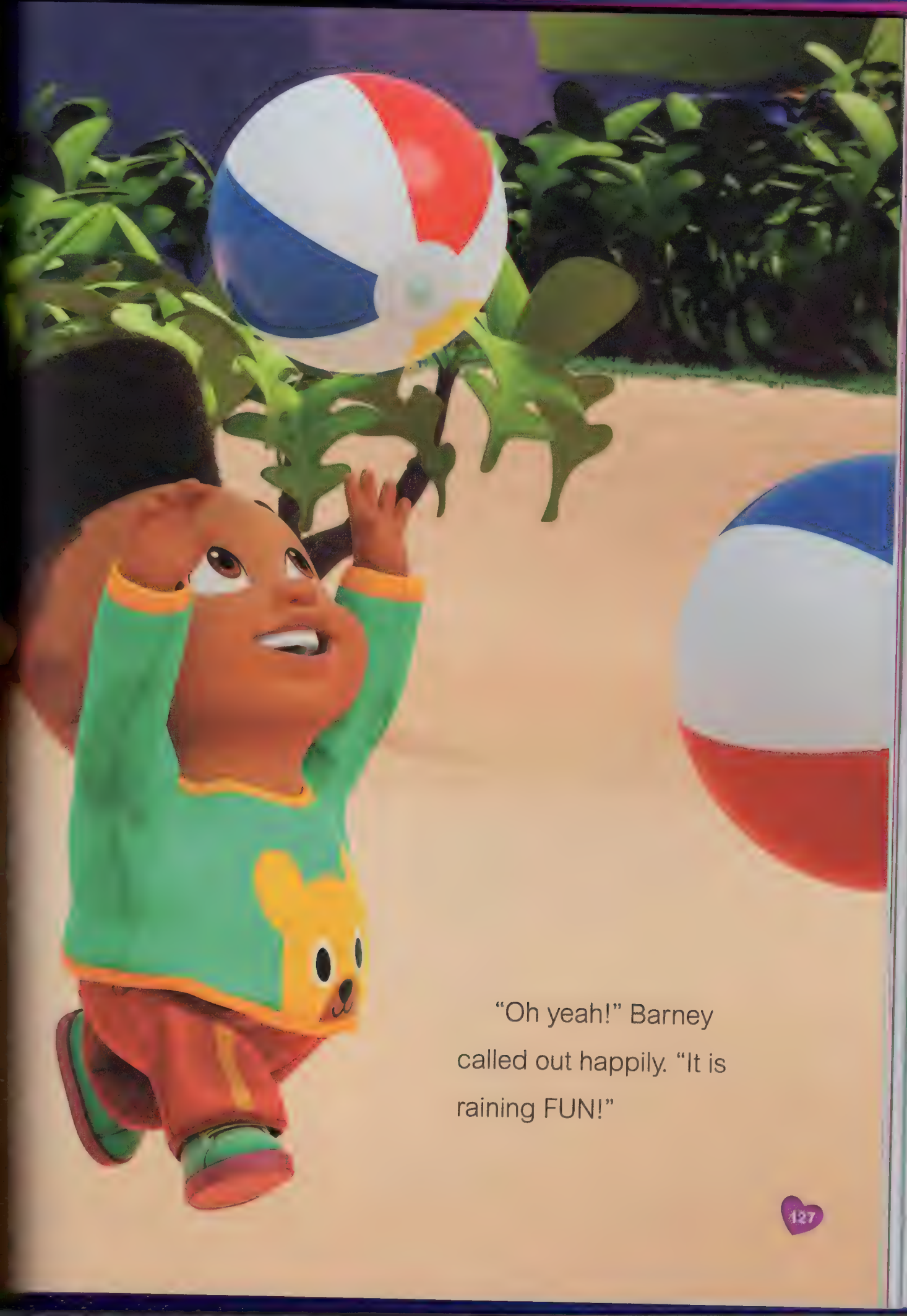
"Maybe she'll try again when she's ready," Barney told the kids. "In the meantime, how about some . . . beach volleyball?!"

POOF!

All of a sudden, it was raining beach balls!

"Look at all of them!" David cried out, trying to catch one.

All three friends began bopping the beach balls back and forth.



"Oh yeah!" Barney called out happily. "It is raining FUN!"

Mel was having so much fun playing, she wondered if maybe Baby Bop was ready to come play along.

"Here comes the ball, Baby Bop!" Mel called out, hitting the ball in Baby Bop's direction.

Baby Bop dropped her book, startled. She got up and ran after the ball!

"I think I got it," said Baby Bop excitedly.

"Oh noooooo!" Baby Bop cried.

SPLASH!

She was holding the ball . . . but she was waist-deep in the water!

"Are you OK?" Mel asked.

"The water!" Baby Bop cried out. "It's way above my ankles! Now I'm cold and wet . . . UGH!"

Mel didn't understand why Baby Bop didn't want to play ball.

"I thought she'd like it . . . but I know we should let Baby Bop do her own thing."

"Look what I found!" Vivie called out to her friends, holding up two beautiful seashells.

Baby Bop peered over from her comfortable chair. She liked shells too.

Baby Bop saw a large seashell hidden in the sand and picked it up. Just then, something poked its head out of the shell and a claw appeared.

"Hello there, little hermit crab," Baby Bop said, sporting a big smile and a wave. The little crab waved back.

Then she set the crab down and watched it scurry away.

"So . . ." Mel said, walking up to Baby Bop. "Does this mean we didn't ruin your perfect beach day?"

Baby Bop gave everyone a big smile. "I did like some new things . . . like collecting shells—and making friends with that adorable little crab!"

While David, Vivie, and Baby Bop compared shells, Mel got to thinking. When Baby Bop was pushed to try new things, it didn't go so well.

"Ya know, Barney," Mel said, turning to face her friend. "I'm not going to push David or Vivie to try my kimchi."

"That's a kind plan!" Barney said proudly.

"Yep!" Mel said. "I'll just enjoy the kimchi myself. Maybe one day, they'll want to try it."

Barney smiled back, and the two friends hugged.

"I am super-duper proud of you!" Barney said.

"Thanks, Barney!" Mel replied. "I'm proud of myself too!"

With that settled, Barney snapped his fingers and there was a loud

POOF!

They were back in the park where they started.

"I've been thinking," Vivie began, walking over to Mel, "if Baby Bop could try all of that new stuff with us at the beach, maybe I could try your kimchi?"

David jumped up in agreement. "Me too!"

"You got it!" Mel said happily.

She spooned some of the kimchi onto Vivie's and David's plates.

They both picked up their forks and tried a bite.

"I'm not sure kimchi is totally for me, but I'm so glad I tried it! Thanks, Mel," Vivie said.

"No problem!" Mel said. "David, what about you?"

"I think kimchi is awesome!" David said triumphantly. "I've never had anything like it."

"Woo-hoo!" the friends cheered.

David, Mel, and Vivie knew that trying new things could be a little scary sometimes. But they also discovered that it was way less scary to try new things with good friends by their side.

MISSING VALENTINE
Based on the episode "Missing Valentine," written by Niki Lytton
Adapted by Hank Oliver

It was one of Vivie's favorite holidays—Valentine's Day! She was very busy finishing her valentine cards for each of her friends.

"Done!" she exclaimed. "This silly googly eye is perfect for Pigeon's valentine because Pigeon can be pretty silly."

Pigeon flew over and landed on the card next to Vivie.

"Happy Valentine's Day, Pigeon!" Vivie said. "We may have our differences, but Valentine's Day is when we show everyone what we love about them."

Pigeon cooed.

Just then, David and Mel snuck up behind Vivie.

"Happy Valentine's Day, Vivie!" David said. "Are those valentines?" he asked.

"Maybe . . ." Vivie replied as she tried to hide them. It was no use. "OK, yes. Happy Valentine's Day! You know this is my favorite day of the whole year."

"Of course we do!" Mel and David replied, and held out the valentines they had made just for Vivie.

"Yay!"
Vivie exclaimed.

"You know who else loves Valentine's Day?" Mel said, smiling at her friends.

"Hey, Barneyyyyy!!!"

POOF!

Barney appeared in a big, purple cloud. "Happy Valentine's Day! I love you, and I love you, and I love you!"

"We love you too, Barney!" the friends replied.

"Speaking of love," Vivie said, "I have a valentine for you, Barney." She began to search through her big pile of cards.

"Whoa, you've got a lot of cards, Vivie," David said.

"That's because I made one for everyone, see?" Vivie replied.

Barney looked through the cards. "Hmmm, it looks like one person is missing!"

"Really?" Vivie asked. "I thought I made one for everyone on my list!"

"Should I tell you who it is?" Barney asked.

"Tell me about the person so I can figure it out myself!" Vivie replied. "Then I can make them a valentine."

"Ooh, a mystery!" David said.

"We'll help you solve it!" Mel offered.

Barney wiggled his tail happily. "Ready for your first clue? It's in one of your mystery valentine's favorite spots in the park."

Everyone looked around. Vivie noticed a purple glow coming from one of her favorite places in the park: the castle.

"To the castle!" said Vivie.

"Yoo-hoo, Valentine Detectives!" a voice called. It was Baby Bop! "Here's your first clue: Whether it's singing, acting, or dancing, your mystery valentine loves to put on a show!"

"They do?" Vivie asked. "So do I!"

Vivie began to twirl around, singing her own song. "Valentine's Day is the very best day. I love making cards, and I love to play!"

David and Mel danced along.

"Brava!" Baby Bop called out, tossing the friends a blue sparkly marker. "Good luck!"

Barney used his magical powers to create a glowing valentine with three blank spaces to decorate on. Vivie used the blue marker to draw a beautiful picture of her and her friends dancing together.

Vivie looked at her valentine. "Hmmm, I think I still need more clues to figure out who this is for."

Barney smiled. "Then you'll want to find their second favorite spot in the park."

Everyone looked around again. The ship was glowing purple!

"Let's go to the ship!" David called out.

"Ahoy, Valentine Detectives!" Billy called out.

"Whether it's a pirate adventure or making people laugh, your mystery valentine loves a fun challenge."

"I love fun challenges too!" Vivie called out. "Wow, this mystery valentine gets more and more like me with each clue."

Just then, water came sprinkling down from the water rings.

"I'm glad you like fun challenges," Mel said, "because it's going to be a fun challenge to make it through this sprinkler without getting wet."

"We can do it for the mystery valentine!" Vivie cried out.

The friends hopped, somersaulted, ducked, and rolled to dodge the water. They made it through!

"Aargh! Nice job, mateys," Billy said,
and handed them some glitter glue.

Vivie used the glitter glue to decorate the second small heart on the valentine.

"Now that's a sparkly valentine!" she said. "But who could it be for? We know they love putting on shows and fun challenges, so they must be pretty special."

Vivie thought and thought. "I think I need another clue," she said.

Everyone looked around.

"Over there—in the garden!" David called out.

Vivie squealed in delight. "I LOVE, LOVE, LOVE the garden!"

Mel smiled at her friend. "Let's go dig up that clue."

When the gang arrived in the garden, Baby Bop and Billy were standing next to the most beautiful purple flower Vivie had ever seen.

"It's the Valentine Detectives, back for the last clue!" Baby Bop cheered. "Here it is: Your mystery valentine loves flowers!"

"I know! We should pick this flower for them!" suggested Mel.

"They would love that," David agreed.

Vivie had a different idea. "I love flowers too, but I would never pick a flower. I would much rather help it grow."

"Great idea!" David said. "How do we help?"

"With kindness!" said Vivie.

Mel grabbed a watering can and began to water the flower. David sang it a little song, and Barney showered it with some extra sunshine. The flower started to glow.

Vivie knelt down close to the flower. "Hi, flower . . . you are so special! My Nonna and I both love flowers. When I see you, I think of how much I love her. I love Nonna, and I love you too!"

Suddenly the flower began to bloom and opened up to reveal a big, magical flower with purple sparkles shooting out from its center.

"They're stickers!" David called out.

"You can use them on your valentine," Mel said.

Baby Bop and Billy waved goodbye to their friends. "Good luck solving the mystery!"

Vivie finally finished decorating the mystery valentine.

"It's the most fantastic valentine ever," Barney announced. "It's Vivietastic!"

"Thanks, Barney," Vivie said. "But I still don't know who it is for."

"Well, they love putting on a show," David said.

"And doing fun challenges, and they love flowers," Mel added.

Vivie thought hard. "Wait a minute," she said, "this mystery Valentine sounds just like . . ."

Just then, a picture of Vivie appeared in the center of the valentine. "ME!" said Vivie.

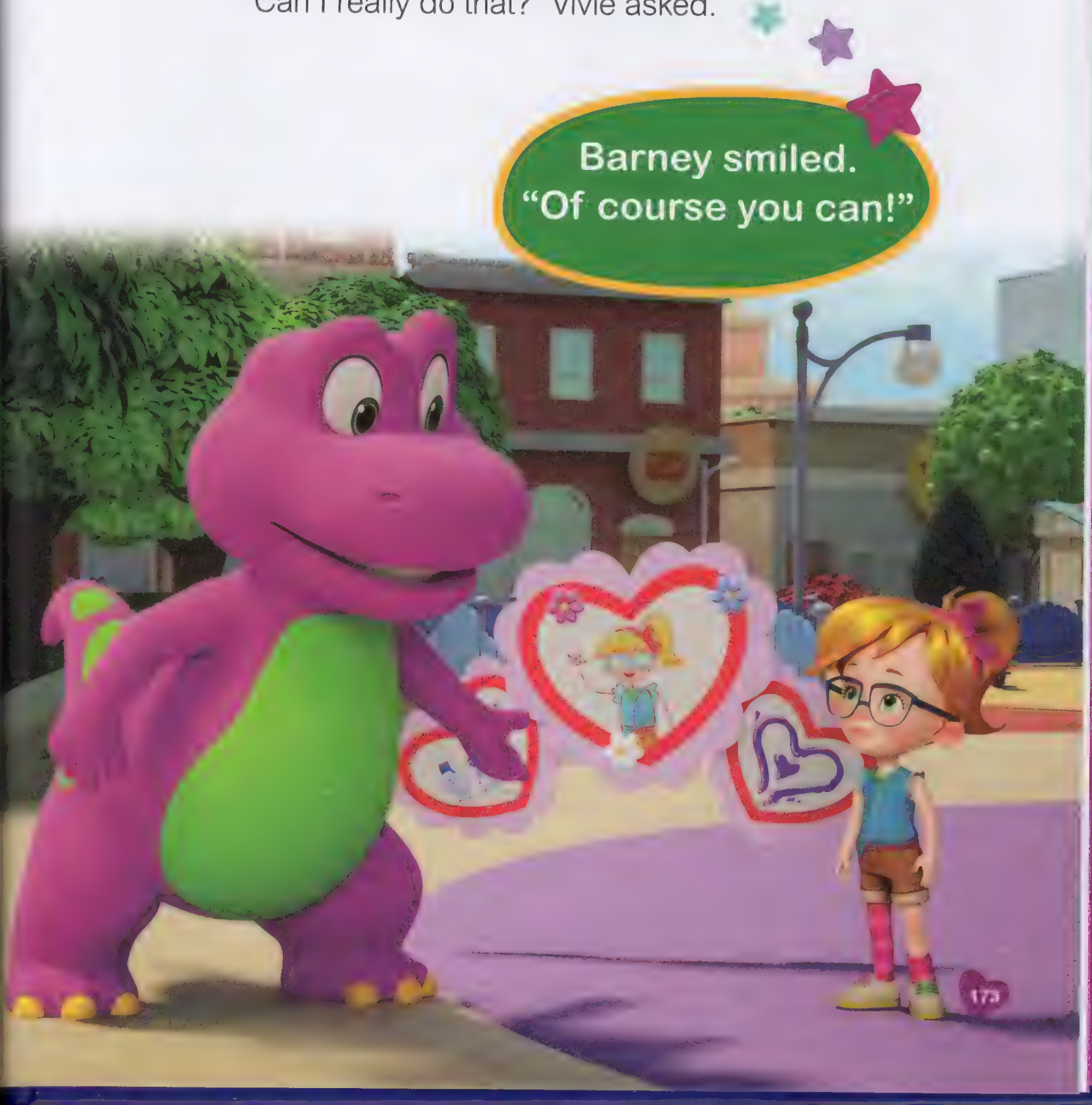
"Ding, ding, ding!" said Barney.

Vivie was so happy. Her heart felt warm inside.

"But I can't give myself a valentine!" she said to Barney.

"Why not?" asked Barney. "The love you put into your valentines is so special. You can give that same love to yourself!"

"Can I really do that?" Vivie asked.



Vivie reached over to give her favorite purple friend a big hug. "Thanks, Barney. I love you."

"And I love you, Vivie!" Barney said.

Vivie giggled. "And I love ME too!"

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